The Campus History in Song

During its 105 year history the Bible Training School (later know as the Fort Wayne Bible Training School), Fort Wayne Bible Institute, Fort Wayne Bible College, Summit Christian College and Taylor University Fort Wayne had many school songs written. Year verses were chosen and often a song was written to reinforce that particulate verse. There was also a Youth Conference was held there was usually a song written especially for that particular theme of the conference. The campus even had a "fight song" named *Blue and Gold*

Please note that not all songs were found. Performances of these songs can be found on the web.

This is a collection of these songs:

- School songs and Alma Maters
- Chapel songs (often sung)
- Youth Conference songs
- Year verses and songs
- Blue and Gold
- Early Radio Songs

School songs and Alma Maters

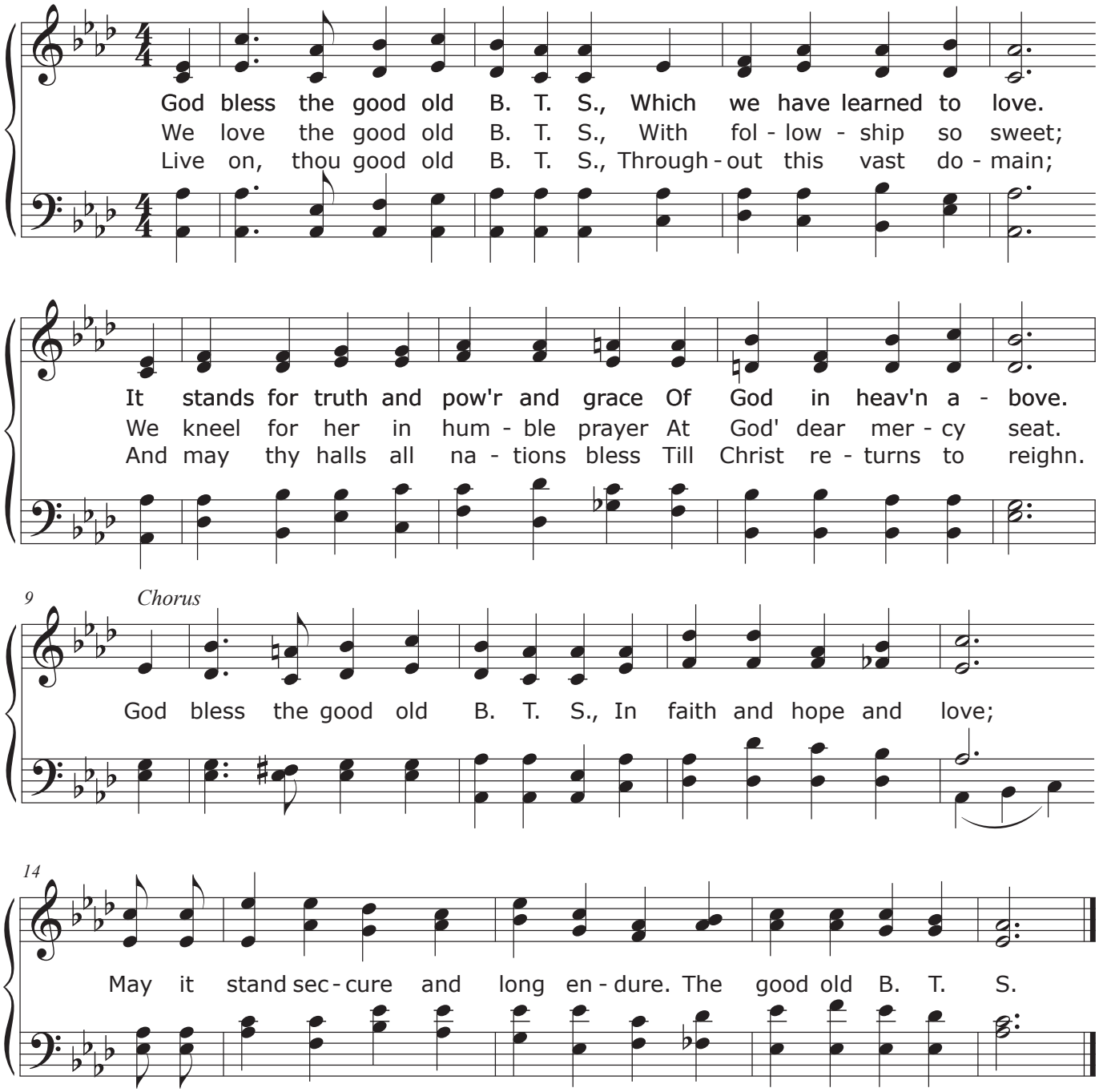
BTS Song

B. T. S. School Song

Elton Roth

Dedicated to B. T. S. Fellowhip Circle

Elton Roth



Fort Wayne Bible Institute School Song

words and music: C. A. Gerber

E - ter - nal is the Word of God, A coun-sel - or and guide sub-lime;
We hail thee, Bi-ble in - sti-tute, With Loy - al hearts and cour - age true;
God bless our Bi-ble In - sti-tute, Our Al - ma Ma - ter, loved by all;

A pi - lot true, when bil - lows roll, A rock and re - fuge for the soul,
Thy bless-ings and thy no - ble aims Our yield-ed lives shall e'er pro-claim;
Firm may she stand for truth and right, E'er hold - ing forth the Word of light,

9

Tho' heav'n and earth shall pass a - way, The Word O God shall stand for aye.
Live on! Thy ho - ly work complete, The tro - phies lay at Je - sus' feet.
Un - til her task on earth is done, Her bat - tles o'er her vic - t'res won.

14 *Chorus*

Dear Fort Wayne Bi - ble In - sti - tute, we hon-or, love and cher-ish Thee;

19

We'll pro-claim re - demp-tion's sto - ry Till our Lord shall come in glor-ry;

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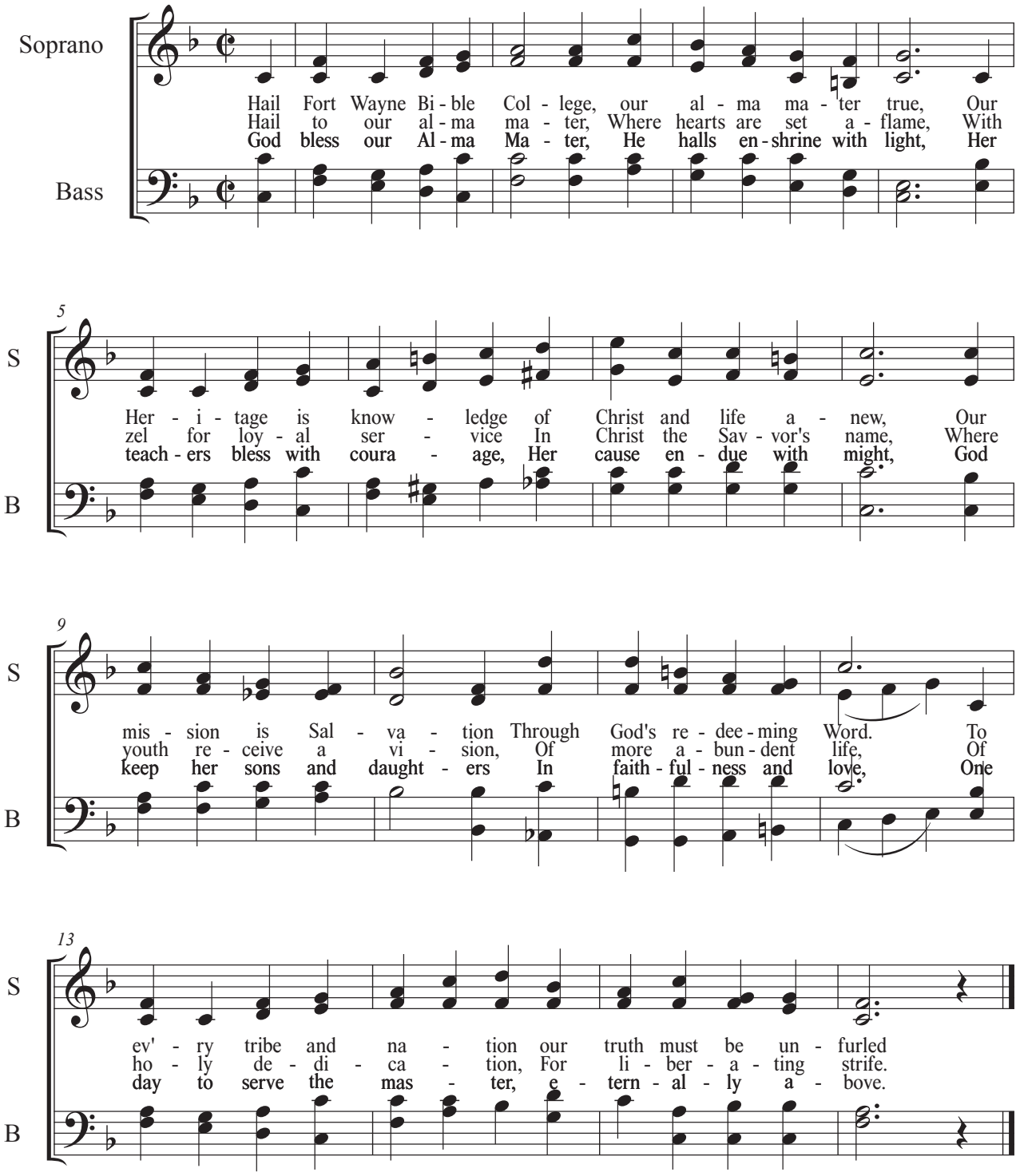
Then u - nit - ed we'll ex - alt Him, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Fort Wayne Bible College

Alma Mater

S. A. Witmer

Richard Gerig



Summit Christian College

Alma Mater

S. A. Witmer

Richard Gerig

Soprano

Bass

Hail Sum-mit Christ-ian Coll-ege, our Al - ma Ma - ter true, Our
Hail to our Al - ma Ma - ter, Where hearts are set a - flame, With
God bless our Al - ma Ma - ter, He halls en-shrine with light, Her

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Her - i - tage is know - ledge of Christ and life a - new, Our
zel for loy - al ser - vice In Christ the Sav - vor's name, Where
teach - ers bless with coura - age, Her cause en - due with might, God

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mis - sion is Sal - va - tion Through God's re - deem - ing Word. To
youth re - ceive a vi - sion, Of more a - bun - dent life, Of
keep her sons and daught - ers In faith - ful - ness and love, One

13

S

B

ev' - ry tribe and na - tion our truth must be un - furled
ho - ly de - di - ca - tion, For li - ber - a - ting strife.
day to serve the mas - ter, e - tern - al - ly a - bove.

Taylor University Fort Wayne

Alma Mater

S. A. Witmer
adapted by Eunice Conrad

Richard Gerig

Soprano

With grate-ful hearts we ho-nor our Al - ma Ma-ter true, Our
Hail to our Al - ma Ma-ter, Where hearts are set a - flame, With
God bless our Al - ma Ma-ter, He halls en-shrine with light, Her

Bass

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Her - i - tage is knowledge of Christ and life a - new, Our mis -
zel for loy - al ser - vice In Christ the Sav - vor's name, Where
teach - ers bless with coura - age, Her cause en - due with might, God

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ho - ly de - di - ca - tion, For li - ber - a - ting strife.
day to serve the mas - ter, e - tern - al - ly a - bove.

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Chapel songs (often sung)

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

words and music: Haldor Lillenas

Soprano

1 Won - der - ful grace of Je - sus, grea - ter than all my - sin;
2 Won der ful grace of Je sus, rea ching to all the lost,
3 Won der ful grace of Je sus, rea ching the most de filed,

Bass

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how shall my - tongue - de - scribe - it, where - shall its praise - be - gin?
by it I have been par doned, saved to the ut ter most;
by its trans for ming po wer ma king me God's dear child,

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Ta - king - a - way my - bur - den, set - ting my-spi - rit - free,
chains have been torn a sun der, gi ving me li ber ty,
pur cha sing peace and hea ven for all e ter ni ty

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for the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus rea - ches me.
for the won der ful grace of Je sus rea ches me.
and the won der ful grace of Je sus rea ches me.

13

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Refrain

18

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the match - less grace of Jes - sus,
Won - der - ful the match - less grace of Je sus,

18

B

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

words and music: Haldor LillenaS

Soprano

sea, the roll - ing sea;

dee - per than the migh - ty rol - ling sea;

Bass

S

won - der - ful grace, all suf - fi -

high - er than the moun - tain, spark - ling like a foun - tain, all suf - fi - cient

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cient for me, for e - ven me; broad - er than the scope of my trans -

grace for e - even me; trans -

B

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gres - sions, great - er far than all my sin and shame;

gres - sions, sing it! shame, my sin and shame;

B

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O mag - ni - fy the pre - cious name of Je - sus, praise his name!

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Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Reginald Heber

John Sykes

Soprano

Bass

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!

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B

Ear - ly in the mor - ning our song shall rise to
cas - ting down their golld - den crowns a - round the glas - sy
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and

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thee. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and
sea; che - ru - bim and se - a - phim fal - ling down be -
see, on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be -
sea; Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and

12

B

migh - ty! God in three Per - sons, bles - sèd Tri - ni - ty!
fore thee, which wert and art, and e - ver - more shalt be.
side thee, per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
migh - ty! God in three per - sons, bles - sèd Tri - ni - ty!

To God Be the Glory

Fanny Crosby

William Doane

Soprano

Bass

1 To God be the glor - y, great things he has done! So loved he the
2 O per - fect re - demp - tion, The pur - chase of blood To ev' - ry be -
3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

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world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
lie - ver, the pro - mise of God. The vil - est of - fen - der who
joic - ing through Je - sus the Son, but pur - er and high - er and

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tone - ment for sin, and open - ed the life - gate that all may go in.
tru - ly be - lieves, That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

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Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice! Praise the

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B

Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the

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B

Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry; great things he has done.

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May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

Kate B. Wilkinson

A. Cyril Barham-Gould

Soprano

Bass

1 May the mind of Christ - my - Sa - vior, live in me - from day - to - day,
2 May the Word of God dwell rich ly in my heart from hour to hour,
3 May the peace of God, my Fa ther, rule my life in e very thing,
4 May the love of Je sus fill me, as the wa ters fill the sea,
5 May I run the race be fore me, strong and brave to face the foe,

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by - his - love - and power - con - trol - ling all — I do — and - say.
so that all may see I tri umph on ly through his power.
that I may be calm to com fort sick and sor ro wing.
him ex al ting, self a bas ing— this is vic to ry.
look ing on ly un to Je sus as I on ward go.

Like A River Glorious

Francis Havergal

James Mounta

Soprano

Like a ri - ver glor' - ous is God's per - fect peace,
Hid - den in the holl - ow of his bless - ed hand,
Ev - r'y joy or tri - al Fall - eth from a - bove

Bass

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ov - er all vic - tor - ous in its bright in - crease:
nev - er foe can fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand.
Traced up - on our di - al be the sun of Love.

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perf - ect, yet still flow - ing ful - ler ev - e'y day;
We may trust him full - y all for us to do;
We may trust Him ful - ly All for us to do,

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per - fect, yet still grow - ing deep - er all the way.
those who trust him whol - ly find him whol - ly true
They who trust Him whol - ly, find him whol - ly true.

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17

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Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest, find - ing, as he pro - mised, per - fect peace and rest.

17

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We Rest on Thee

Edith Cherry

Jean Sibelius

Soprano

Bass

1.We rest on thee, our Shield and our De - fen - der!
2.Yea, in thy name, O Cap - tain of sal - va - tion!
3.We go in faith, our own great weak - ness feel - ing,
4.We rest on thee, our Shield and our De - fen - der!

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We go not forth a - lone a - gainst the foe; strong in thy
In thy dear name, all o - ther names a - bove: Je - sus our
and need - ing more each day thy grace to know: yet from our
Thine is the bat - tle, thine shall be the praise; when pass - ing

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strength, safe in thy keep - ing ten - der, we rest on thee, and
righ - teous - ness, our sure foun - da - tion, our Prince of glor - y
hearts a song of tri - umph peal - ing, "We rest on thee, and
through the gates of pear - ly splen - dor, vic - tors, we rest with

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in thy name we go; strong in thy strength, safe in thy keep - ing
and our King of love, Je - sus our righ - teous - ness, our sure foun -
in thy name we go"; yet from our hearts a song of tri - umph
the through end - less days; when pass - ing through the gates of pear - ly

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ten - der, we rest on thee, and in thy name we go.
da - tion, our Prince of glor - y and our King of love.
peal - ing, "We rest on thee, and in thy name we go."
splen - dor, vic - tors, we rest with the through end - less days.

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Youth Conference

Each spring FWBC hosted a youth conference, bring youth from the tri-states and beyond to the campus featuring a speaker, music and fun

Youth Conference Years and Speakers

1957	Victory in Conflict	Dr. Clair & Beatrice Bush Bixler
1958	Christ the King	Dr. Bob Cook
1959	The Life	Dr. Jimmie Johnson
1960	Weighed in the Balances	Bill Zeoli
1961	Looking Forward	Dr. Richard Harvery
1962	Choose Your God	Rev. Gerald Gerig
1963	Exploring Inner Space	Rev. William J. Carey
1964	Consider Hm	Carl Bihl
1965	Run the Race	Bill Pannell
1966	Fit for Battle	Don Engram
1067	Design for Tomorrow	Jay Kesler
1968	Life With Dimensiion	Bob Stone, Sketch Erickson
1969	It Could Change Your Life	Bill Gothard
1970	Free to be Real	Jay Kesler
1971	Power to Be	Bill McKee
1972	Begin to Live	Larry Richards
1973	Encounter	Jim DiRaddo
1974	Potential	Larry DeWitt
1975	On Target	Tom Murphy
1976	Alligance	Jack French
1977	Inside-Out	John DeBrine
1978	Cut-Out	Ron Hutchcraft
1979	On Track	Carl Nelson
1980	Building to Last	Buddy Burge
1981	Original Design	Bill Muir
1982	Staking Your Claim	Jim Mathis
1983	Running to Win	Bob Laurent
1984	Free Indeed	Bill Eakin
1985	Master Minded	Jimmy Johnson
1986	Anchord	Greg Speck
1987	Redesigned	Kent Fishel
1988	Master-Peace	Dan Gilliam
1989	Out of your Mind	Bob Laurent
1990	Break Away'90	Tom McKean
1991	Inside Out	Jim Long

Following are some of the theme songs

Weighed in the Balances

1960 Youth Conference Chorus

♩ = 96

words and music: Mary Alice Cousins

Soprano

"Weighed in the bal - an - ces", and found in need::

Bass

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Christ is the on - ly ans - wer, Oh, hear Him plead, "Be -

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lieve and put you trust in Me, I'll be your guide,, on -

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to a life of vic - to - ry, close by your side."

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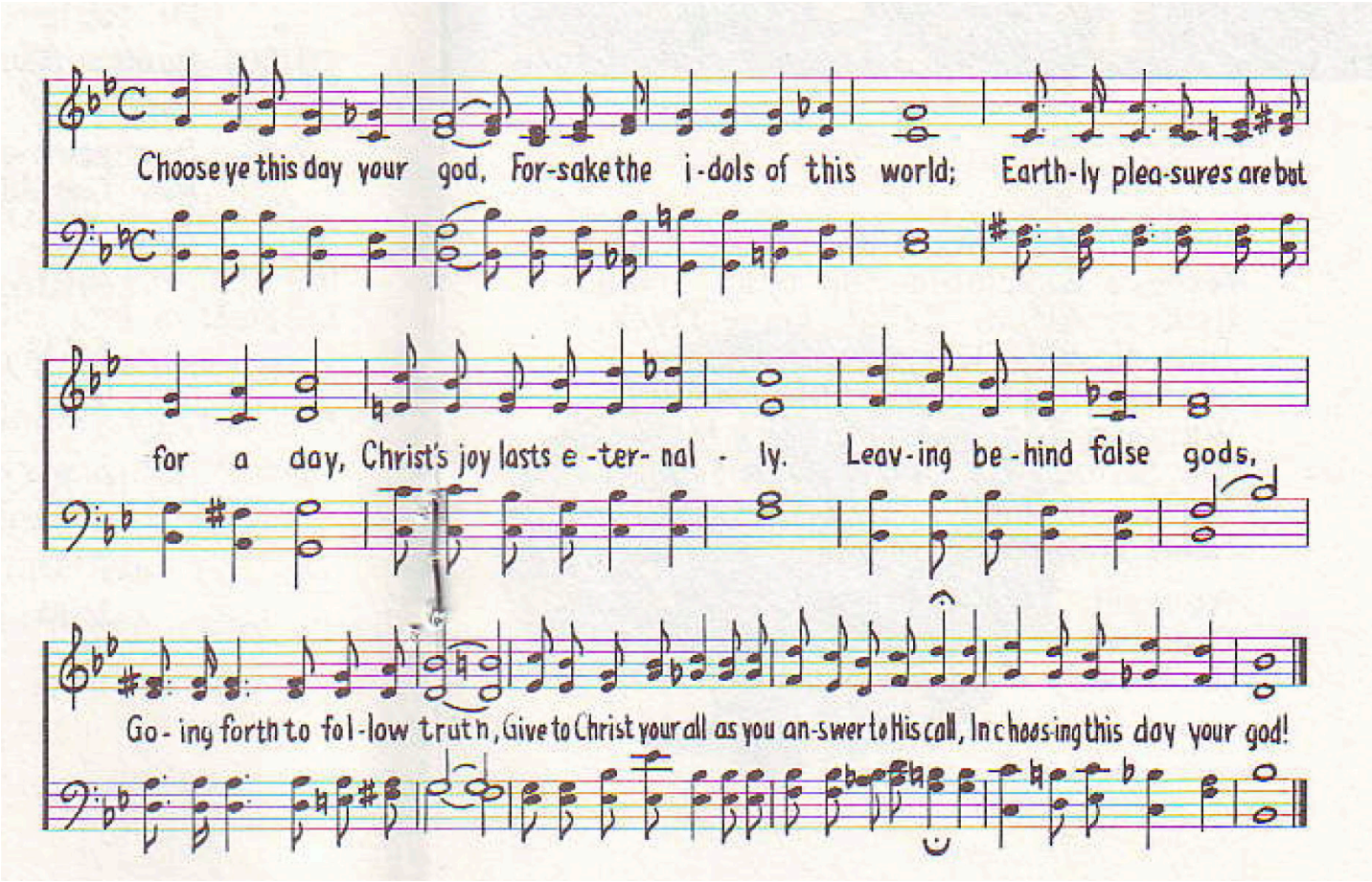
1962 theme song



Psalm 139:23

THEME CHORUS

Quickly

Donald Dowdy

Search me O God and know my heart, Try me O

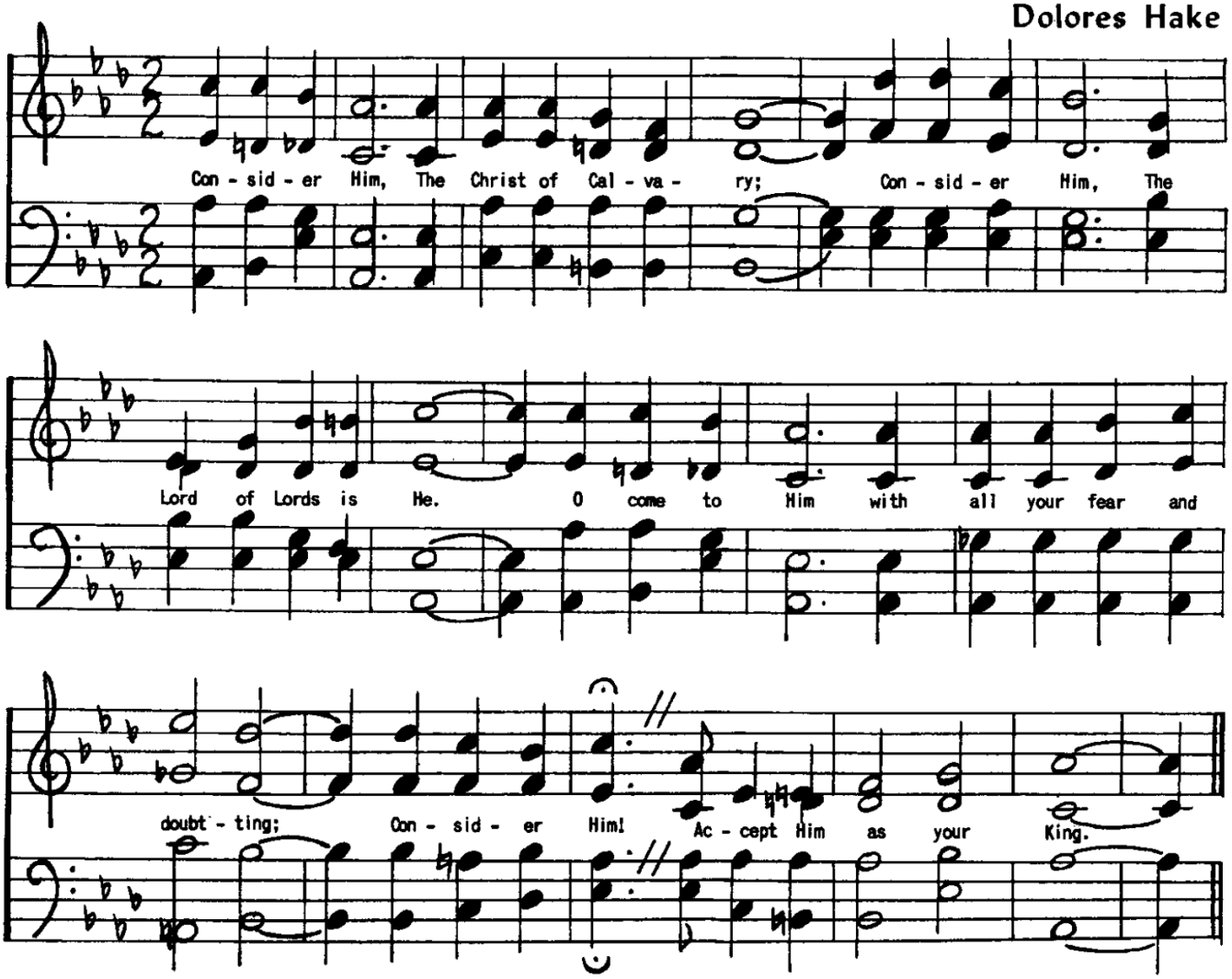
Lord and know my thoughts I pray; See if there be some

wick_ed way in me, And lead me in the way ev_er

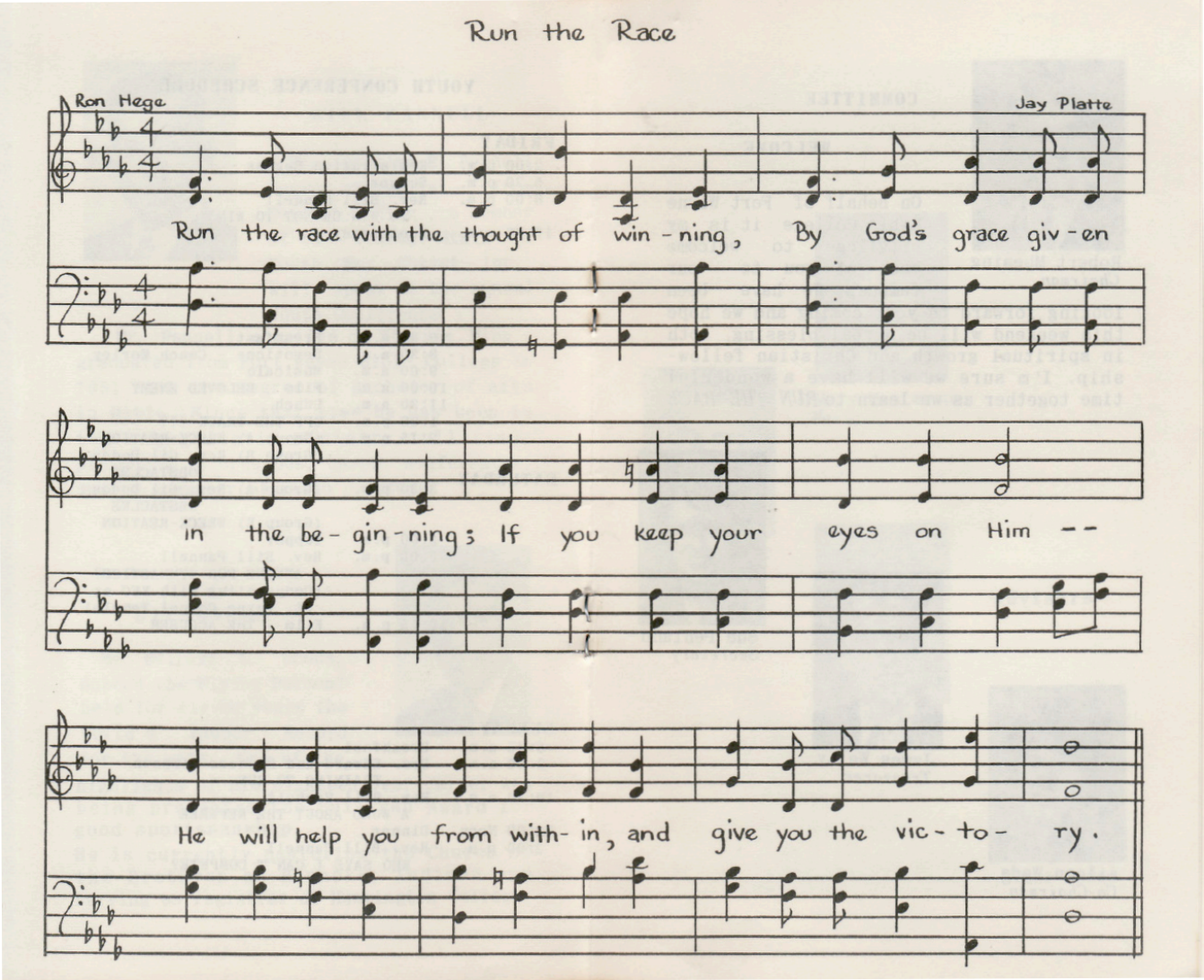
last_ ing

CONSIDER HIM

Dolores Hake



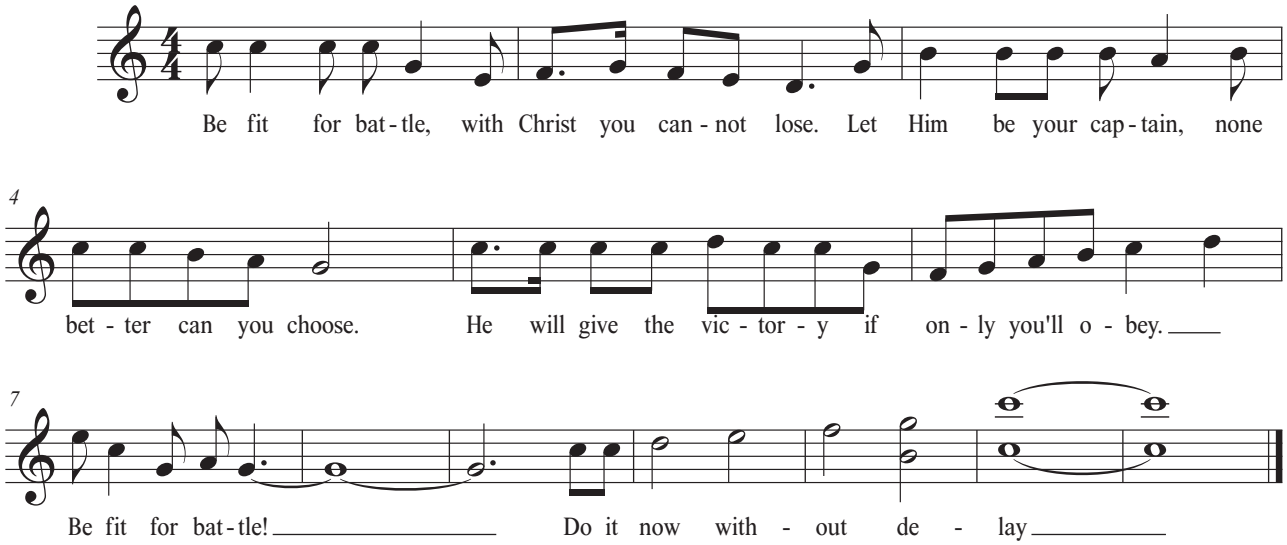
1965 Theme song



Caligraphy by Barb Steiner

Be Fit For Battle

words and music: Jay Platte

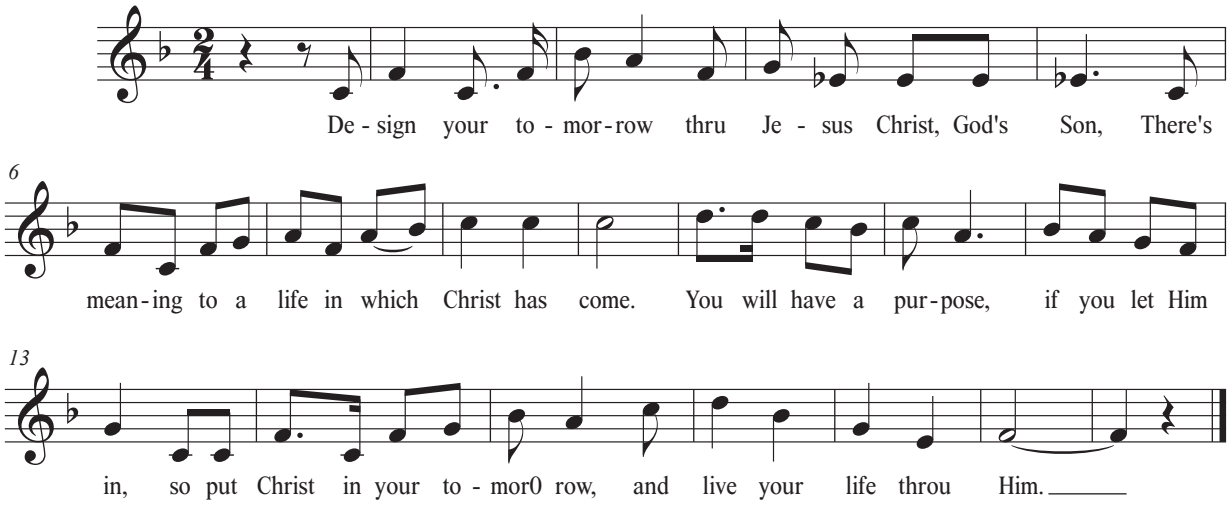


Design for Tomorrow

Ron Hege, Steve Thomas

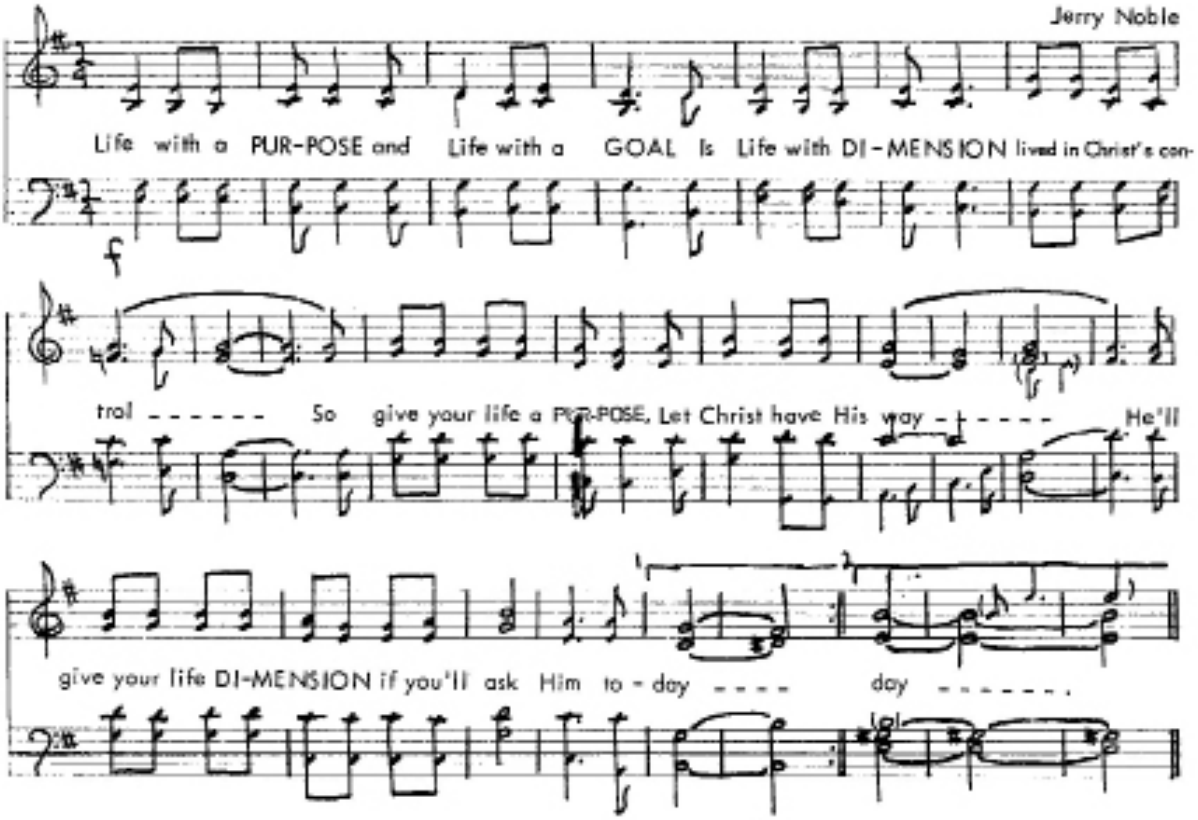
Youth Confernce **1967**

Jay Platte



LIFE WITH DIMENSION

Jerry Noble



IT COULD CHANGE YOUR LIFE!

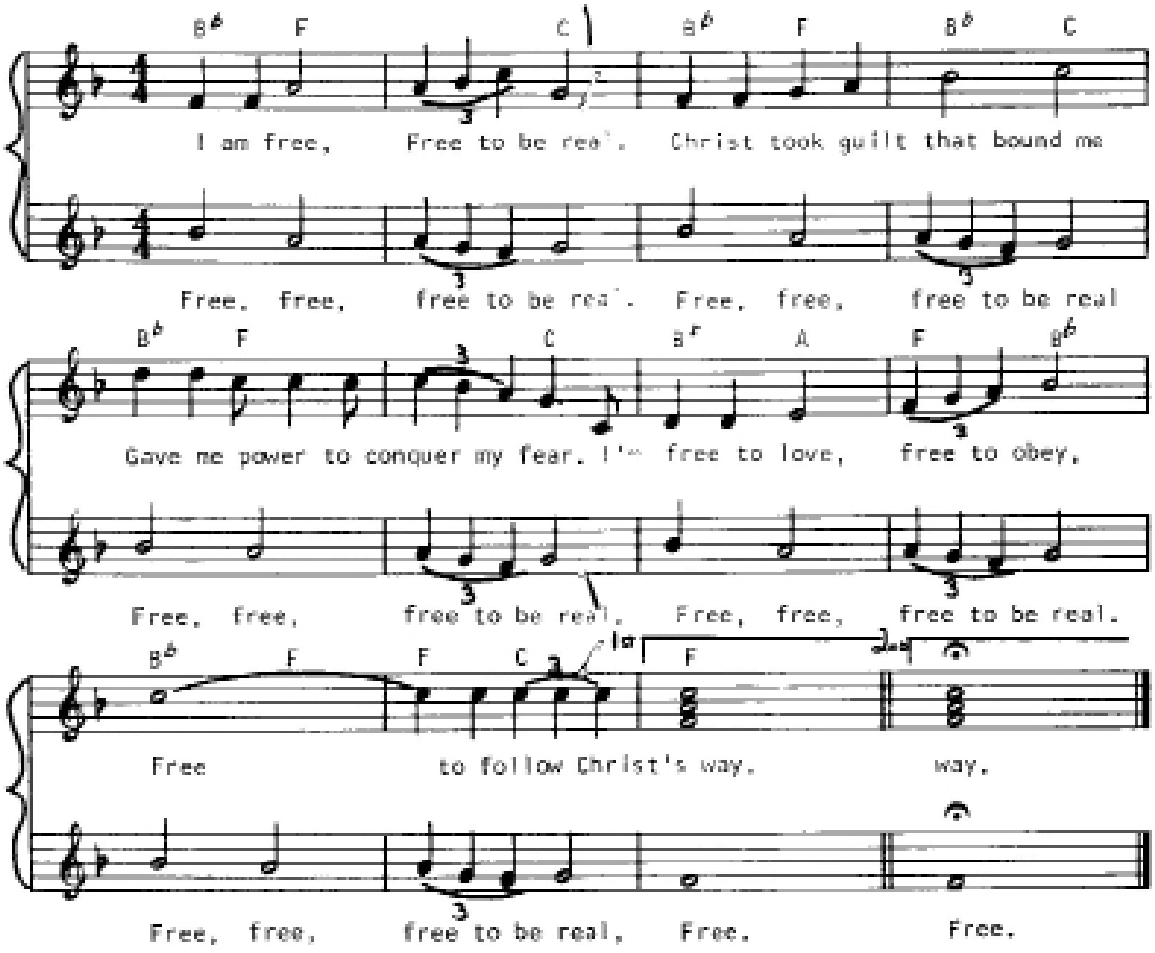
Words and Music
Jay Platte

THEME CHORUS

It could change your life, make your outlook clear, lead you from the dark way to the light. The action you can take when you hear Christ speak to you can mean a change to happi — ness that stays your whole life through. It could change your life if you want it to. Get the message straight and clear. Let Christ have His way in your life to day!

Free to be Real!

Jay Platte



BEGIN TO LIVE!

Denny Doud

I've was - ted so much of my life just run-ning a - round,
I found that the love of God is good e - nough for me.

for plea-sures and fool - ish trea - sures; I was cha-sing the wind.
Je - sus lives in my - self; Just as I in Him,

I was look-ing be-neath the sun for a place to go
And some day He's com - ing back and He's gon - na set me free.

and I had noth - ing to show but Je-sus of-fered me life an - y - way.
I'm look-ing a - bove the sun for my an-swers I find in Him.

Be - gin to Live ---------- Be - gin to Live ----------

Be - gin to live, be born a - gain, for - get your - self,

Let Je - sus win. Be - gin to live a life brand new;

That's what He came to give to you. Be - gin to live!

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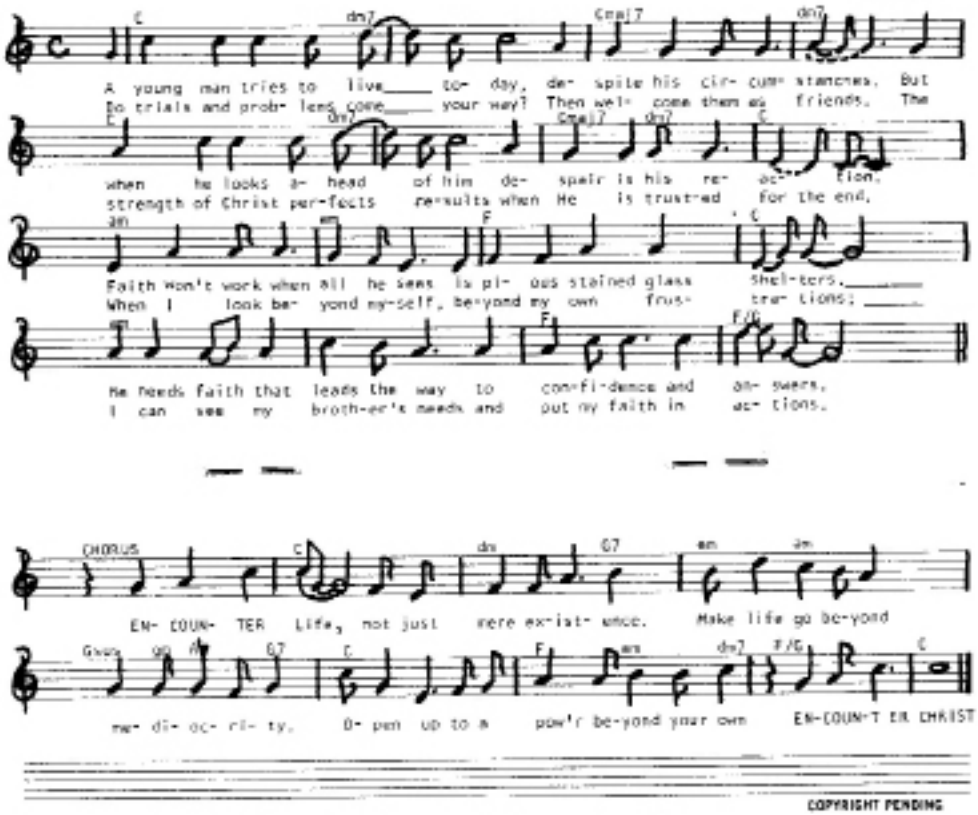
Encounter

Rick Engle



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Potential

Dennis Doud

F Gm7 F/A B♭ F

Would you take some time to be what He wants you to be? It's gon-na take

Gm7 F/A B♭ C B♭ Cm7

some time to be His in-di-vi-du-al-ly But if you'll give it up and

B♭ D E♭ C♯ F♯ F

stop say-in' what you could be, you'll find what's yours "po-ten-tu-al-ly"

B♭ Gm7 F Dm7

You could be some-thing that you've wanted to be:

Gm7 C7 C F Dm7 B♭

You've got be-fore you what you ne-ver thought you'd see. And if you'll

Gm7 F Dm7 B♭/G B♭ C

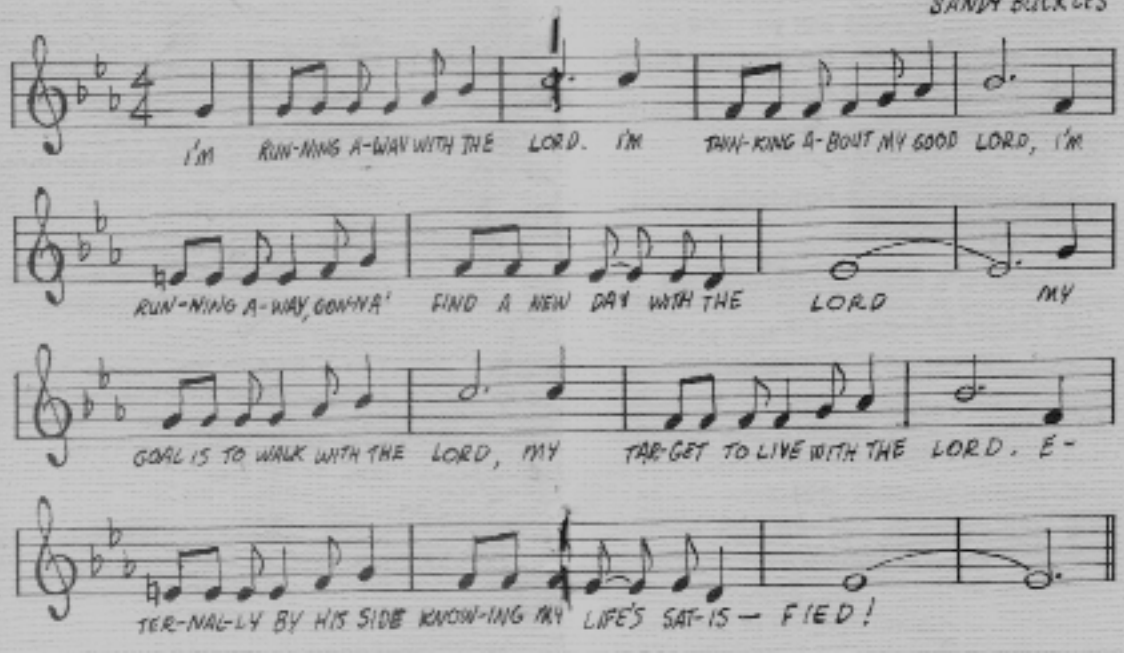
make His plan your brand new way of liv-in' — then your first step's con-quered, you're

B♭/G C7 Interlude Gm7

on your way to win . Po-ten-tial-ly!

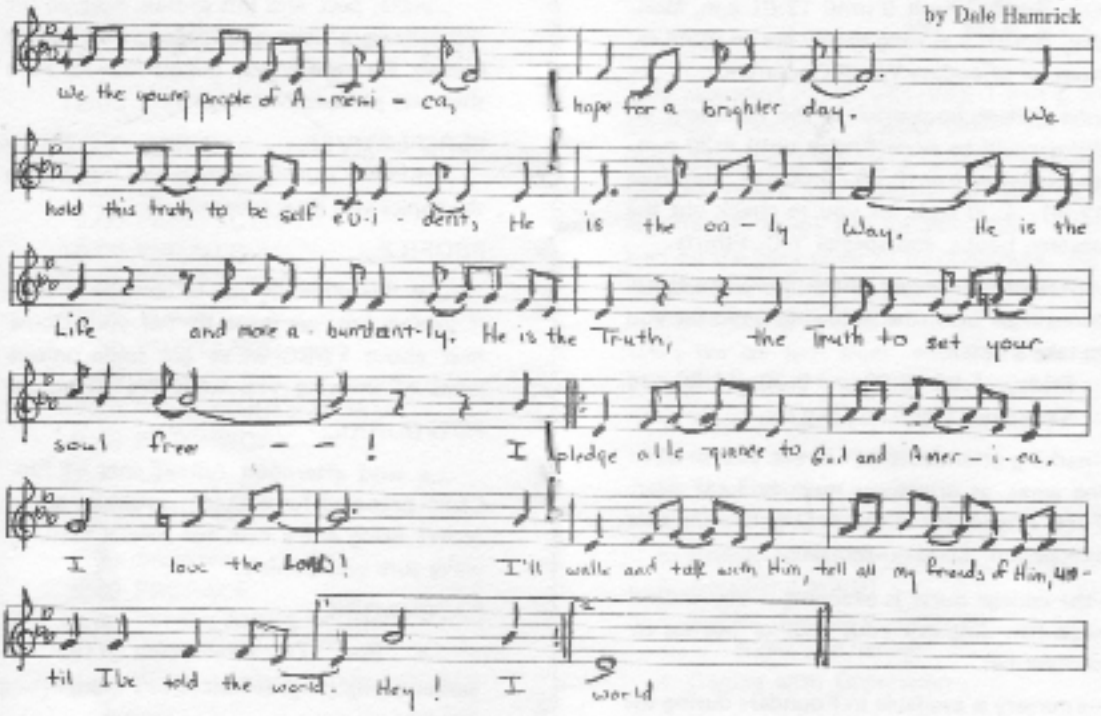
MY TARGET

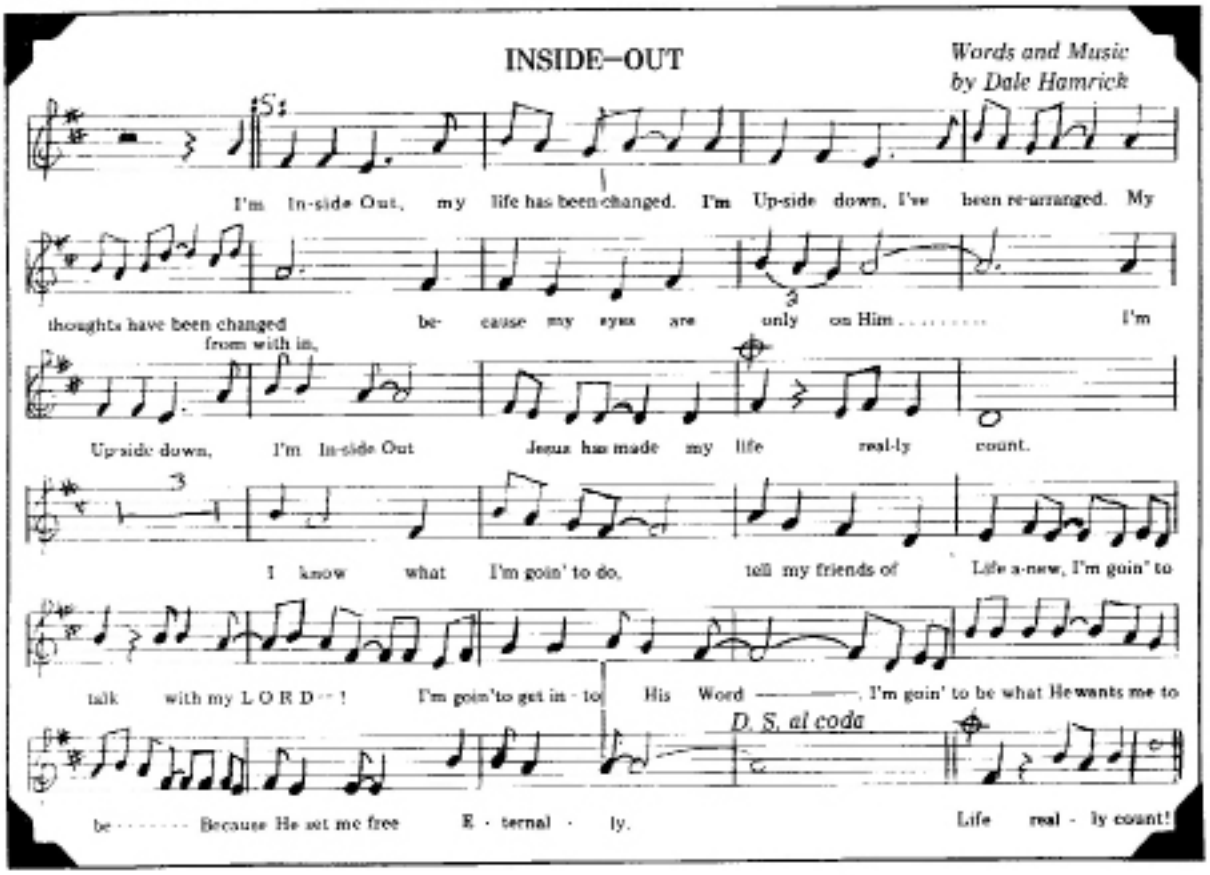
JOHN WILSON &
SANDY BUCKLES



ALLEGIANCE

Words and Music
by Dale Hamrick

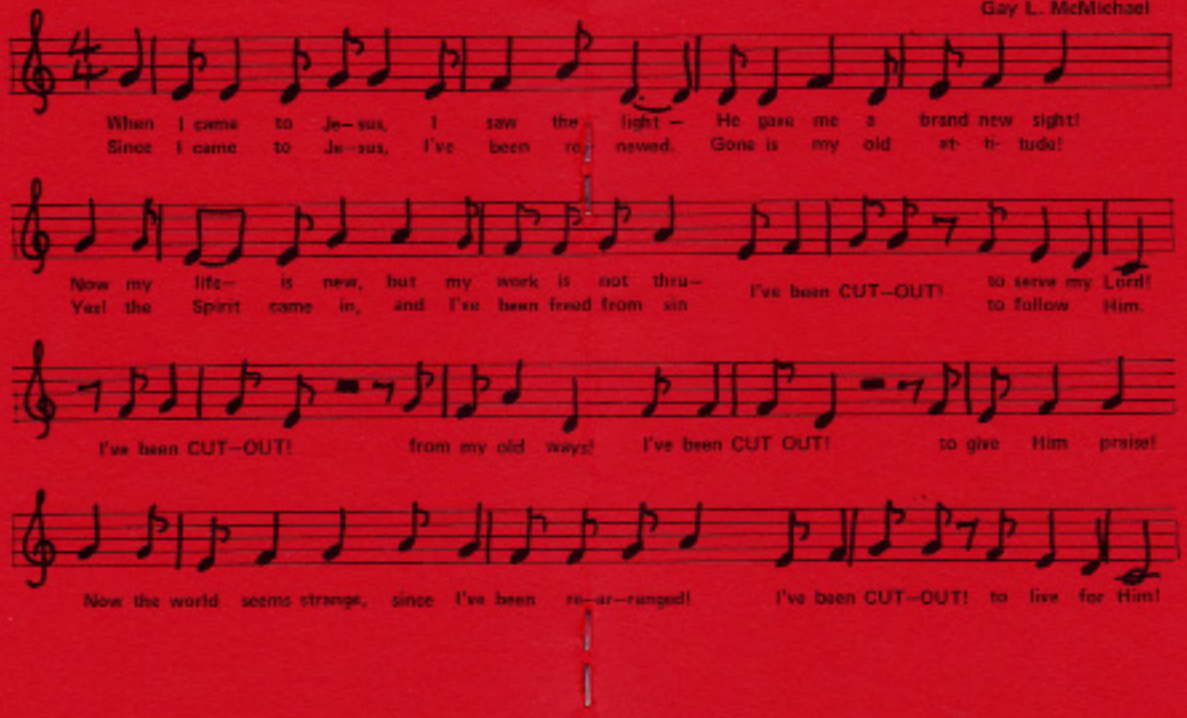




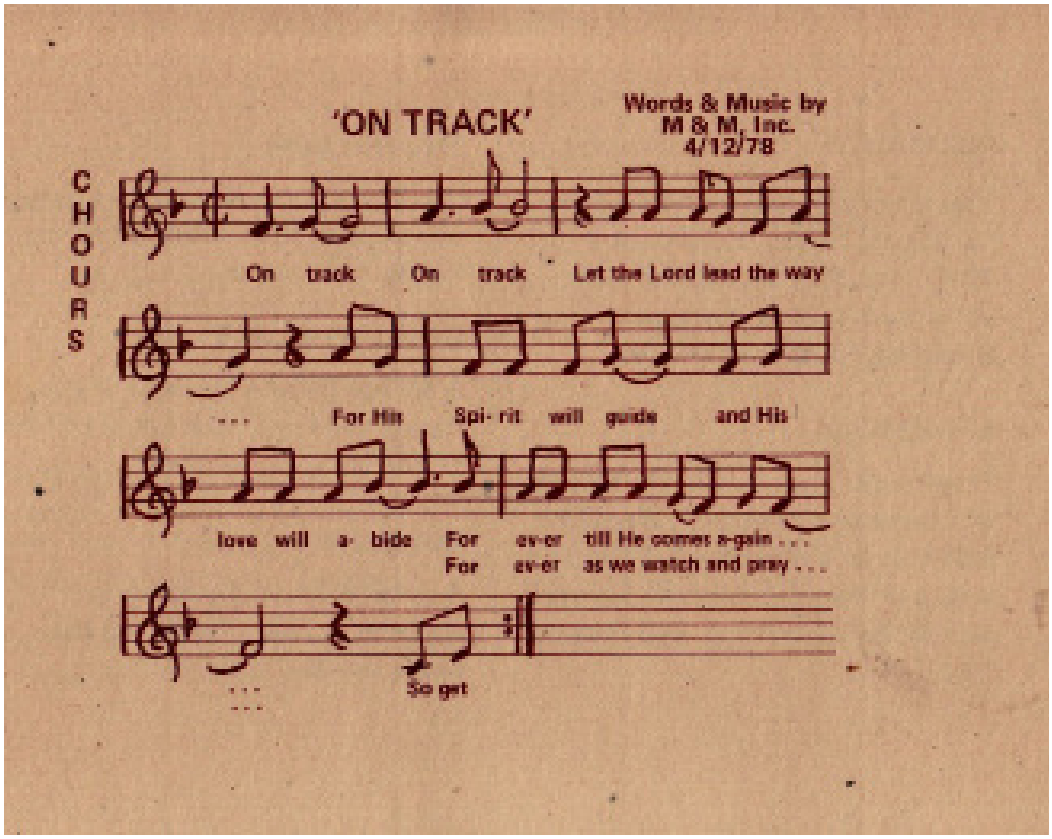
This was our theme song!

CUT-OUT

Words and music
Gay L. McMichael



OUR YOUTH CONFERENCE THEME SONG


'ON TRACK'
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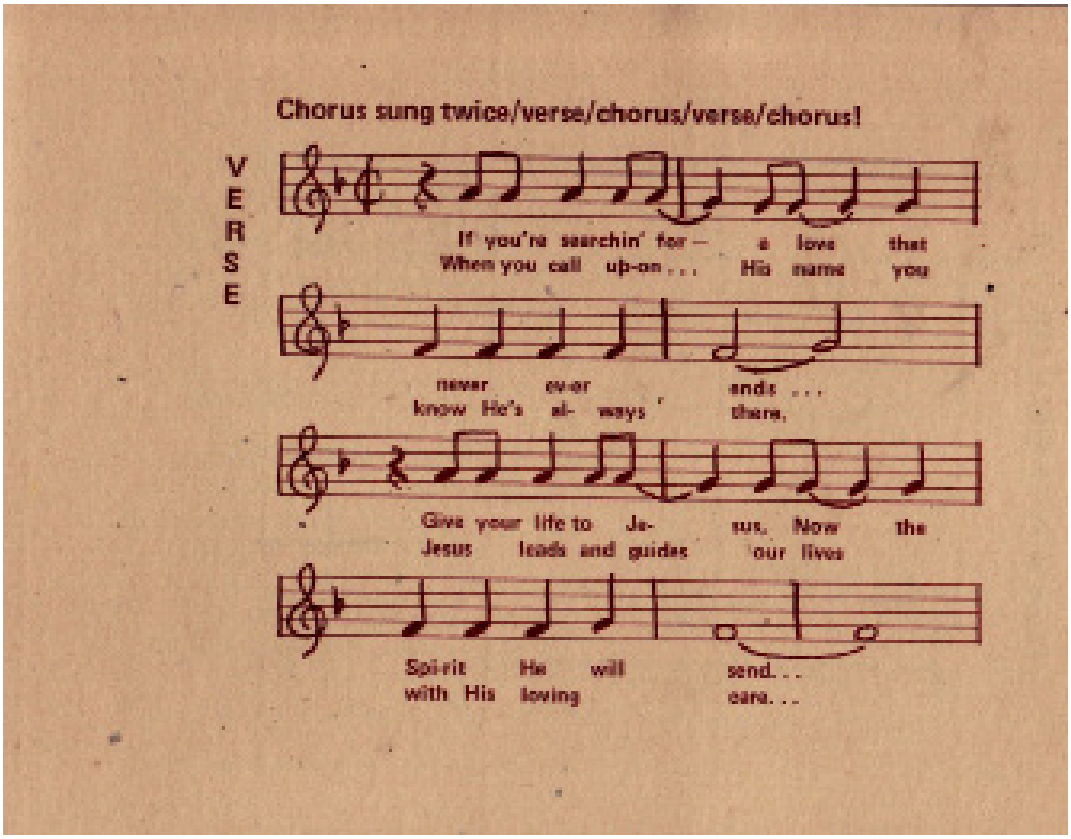
CHOURS
On track On track Let the Lord lead the way
... For His Spi- rit will guide and His
love will a- bide For ev-er till He comes a-gain ...
For ev-er as we watch and pray ...
... So get


Chorus sung twice/verse/chorus/verse/chorus!
VERSE
If you're searchin' for — a love that
When you call up-on ... His name you
never ev-er ends ...
know He's al- ways there,
Give your life to Je- sus, Now the
Jesus leads and guides our lives
Spi-rit He will send...
with His loving care...

Year Verses and Songs

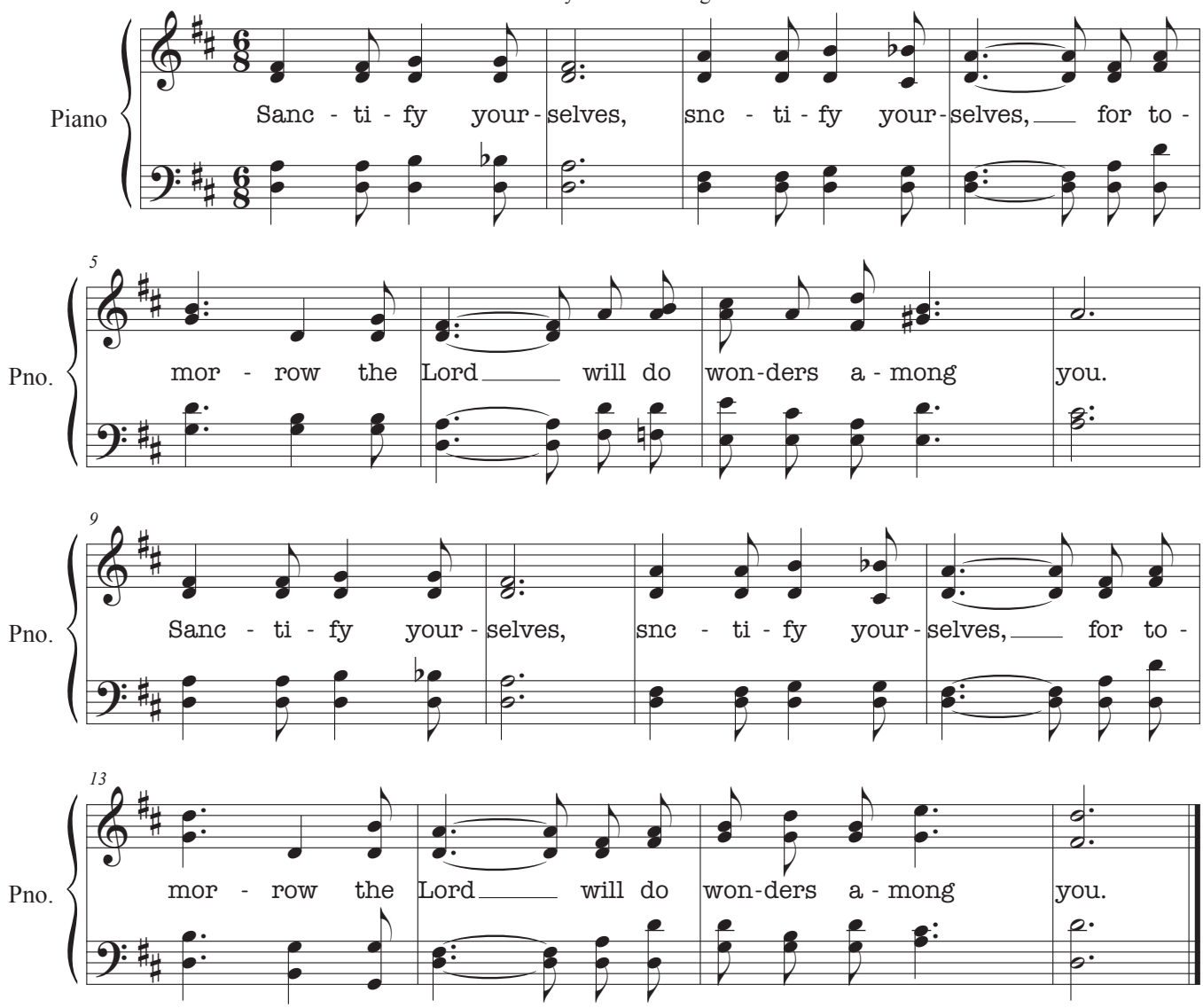
(including Missions Conference)

Sanctify Yourselves

Joshua 3?5

1962 Fort Wayne Bible College Year Verse

René Frank



At the start of the academic year Joshua 3:5 was adopted as the college year verse as the faculty met for retreat and claimed the promised blessing. Dr. Rene Frank, challanged to set it to music, went to the piano and in a matter of minutes the chorus above was created. Since the beginning of the year the college family has recited the verse,sung it and applied it to our hearts and God has indeed shown wonders among us.

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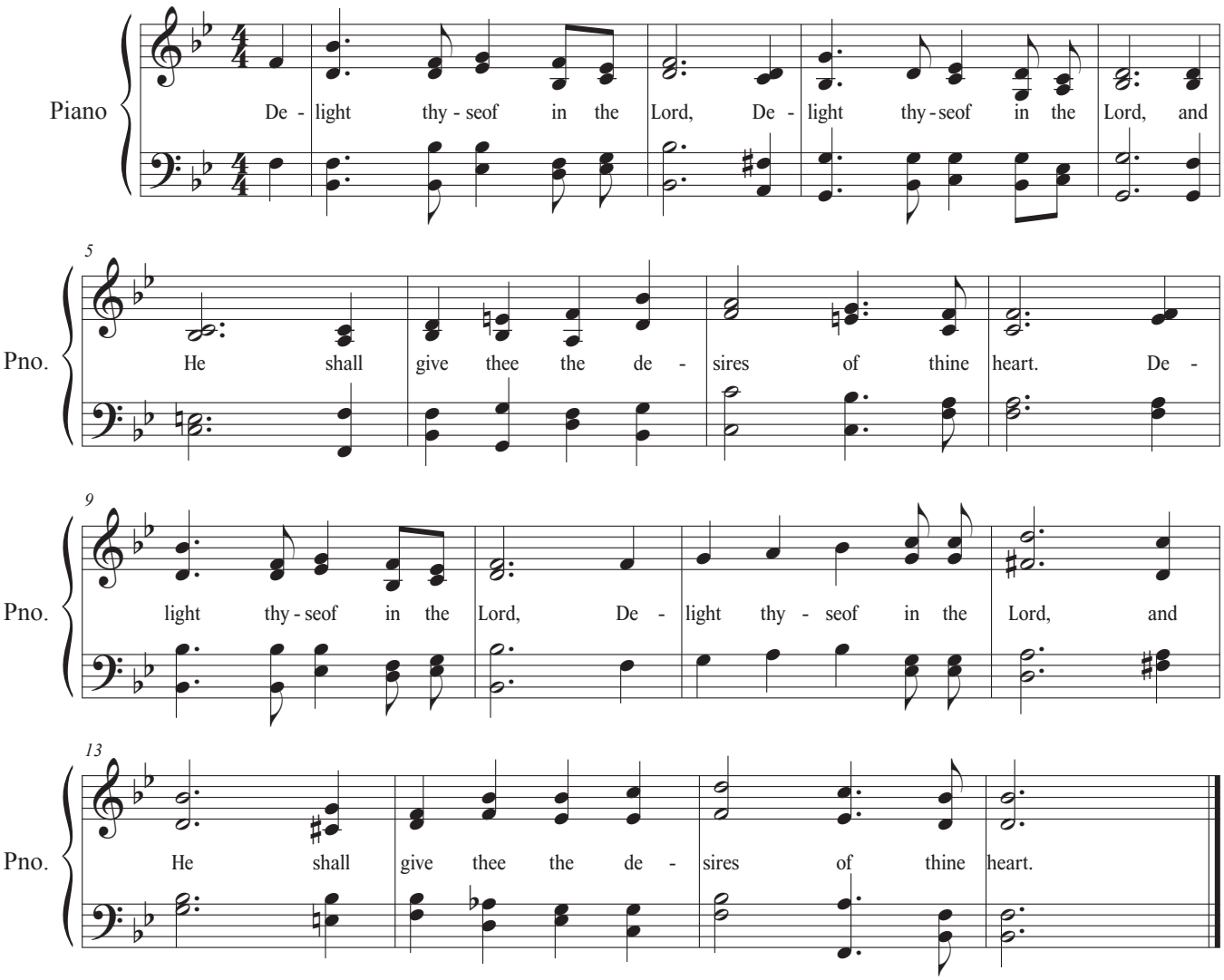
Delight Thyself In The Lord

1963 Year Verse for Fort Wayne Bible College

Psalm 37:4

René Frank



Approved Unto God

Based on II Timothy 2:15 KJV

René Frank

René Frank

Choir

Choir

Stu - dy to show thy - self ap - prov - ed, ap - prov - ed un - to God, a

5

C

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work - man that need - eth no to be a - shamed, right - ly di - vid - ing the Word of truth.

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Stu - dy to show they - slef ap - prov - ed, ap - prov - ed un - to

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God. Stu - dy the Word to tell to the world that Je - sus Christ is the Sav - iour.

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Freedom

John 8:32, 14:6

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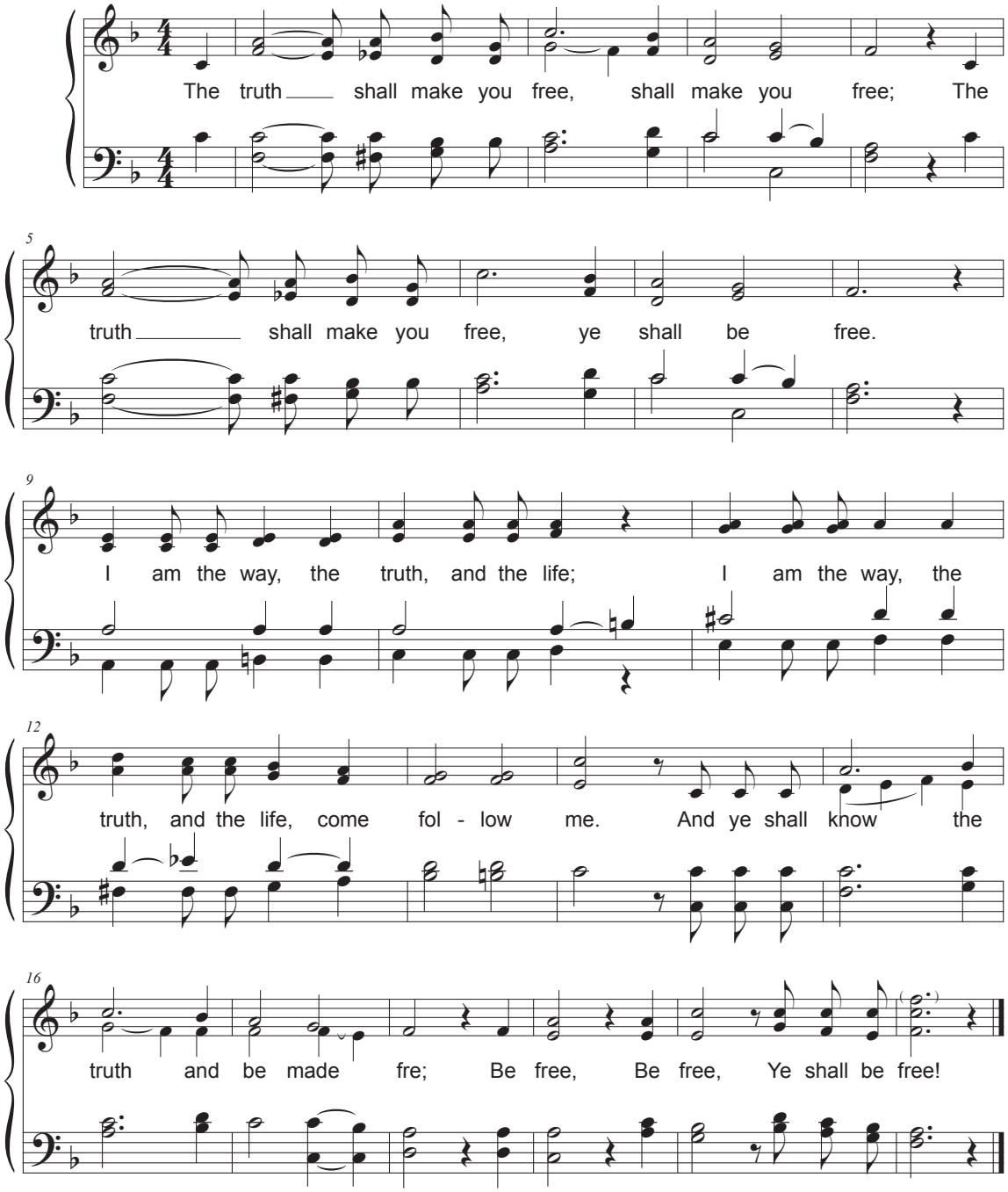

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Be Diligent

II Timothy 2:15

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Piano

Be di-li-gent to pre-pare your-selves ap-proved to

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5

Pno.

God. Be de-li-gent as a

9

Pno.

work-man who need not be a-shamed,

12

Pno.

Hand'-ling ac-ur-rat'ly the word of truth, be di-li-gent.

16

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Pno.

Hand'-ling ac-ur-rat'ly the word of truth, be di-li-gent.

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Jesus Is Lord

Theme Chorus–MissionaryConference, 1973
First Missionary Church, Fort Wayne and Fort Wayne Bible College

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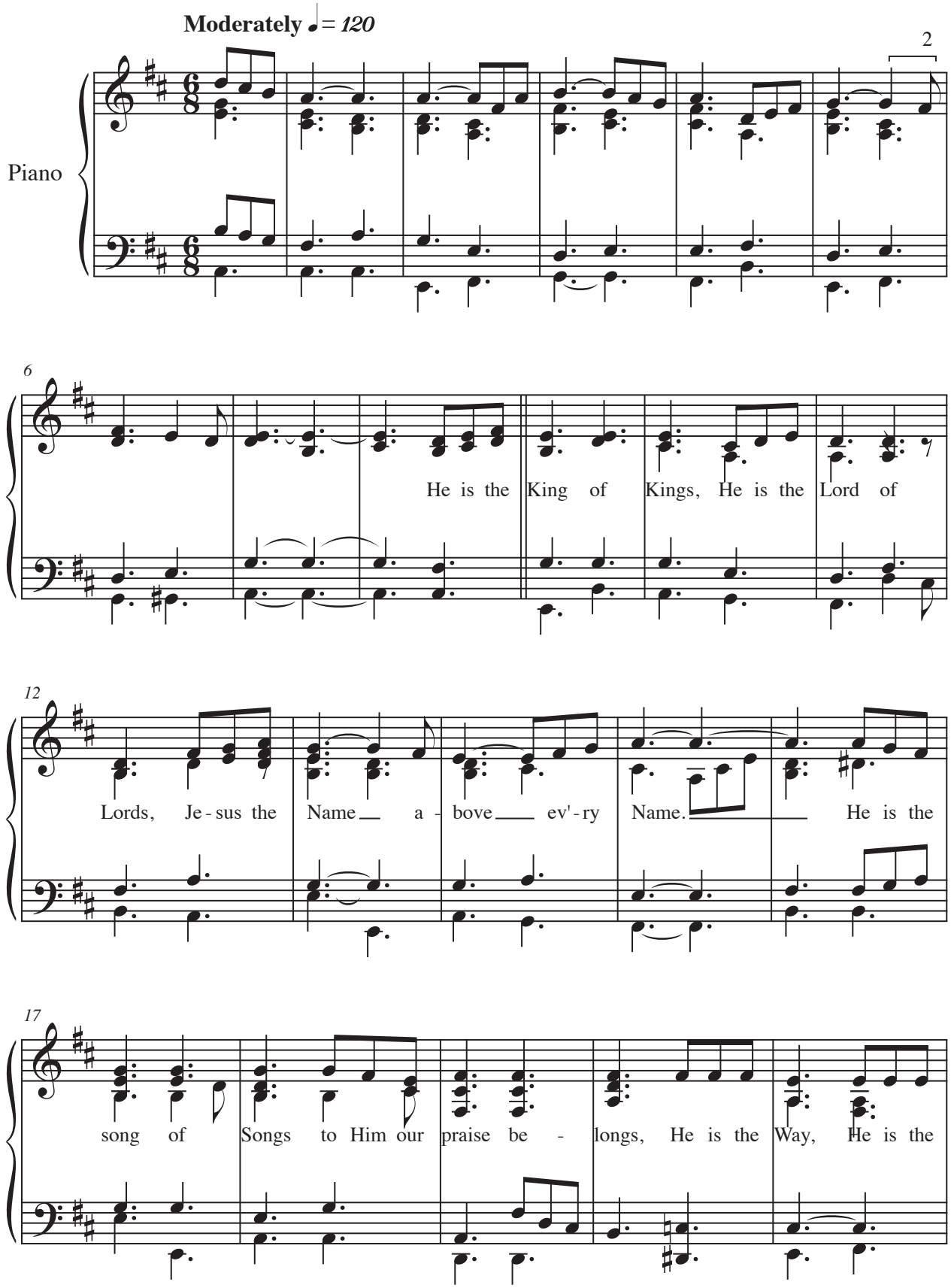

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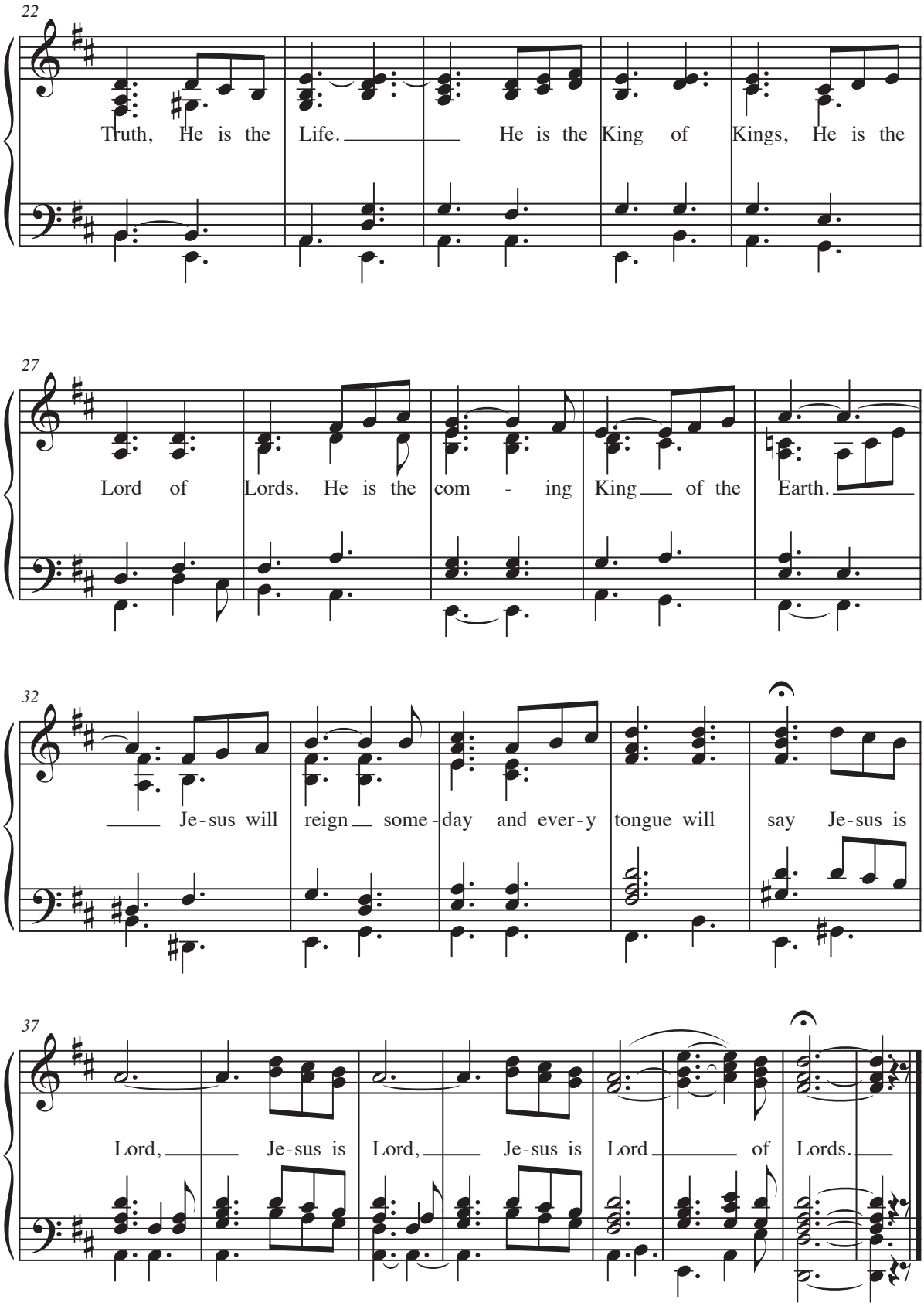
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Truth, He is the Life. He is the King of Kings, He is the
27
Lord of Lords. He is the com - ing King of the Earth.
32
Je-sus will reign some-day and ever-y tongue will say Je-sus is
37
Lord, Je-sus is Lord, Je-sus is Lord of Lords.

Micah 6:8

"What Is Good" - Fort Wayne Bible College Year Verse

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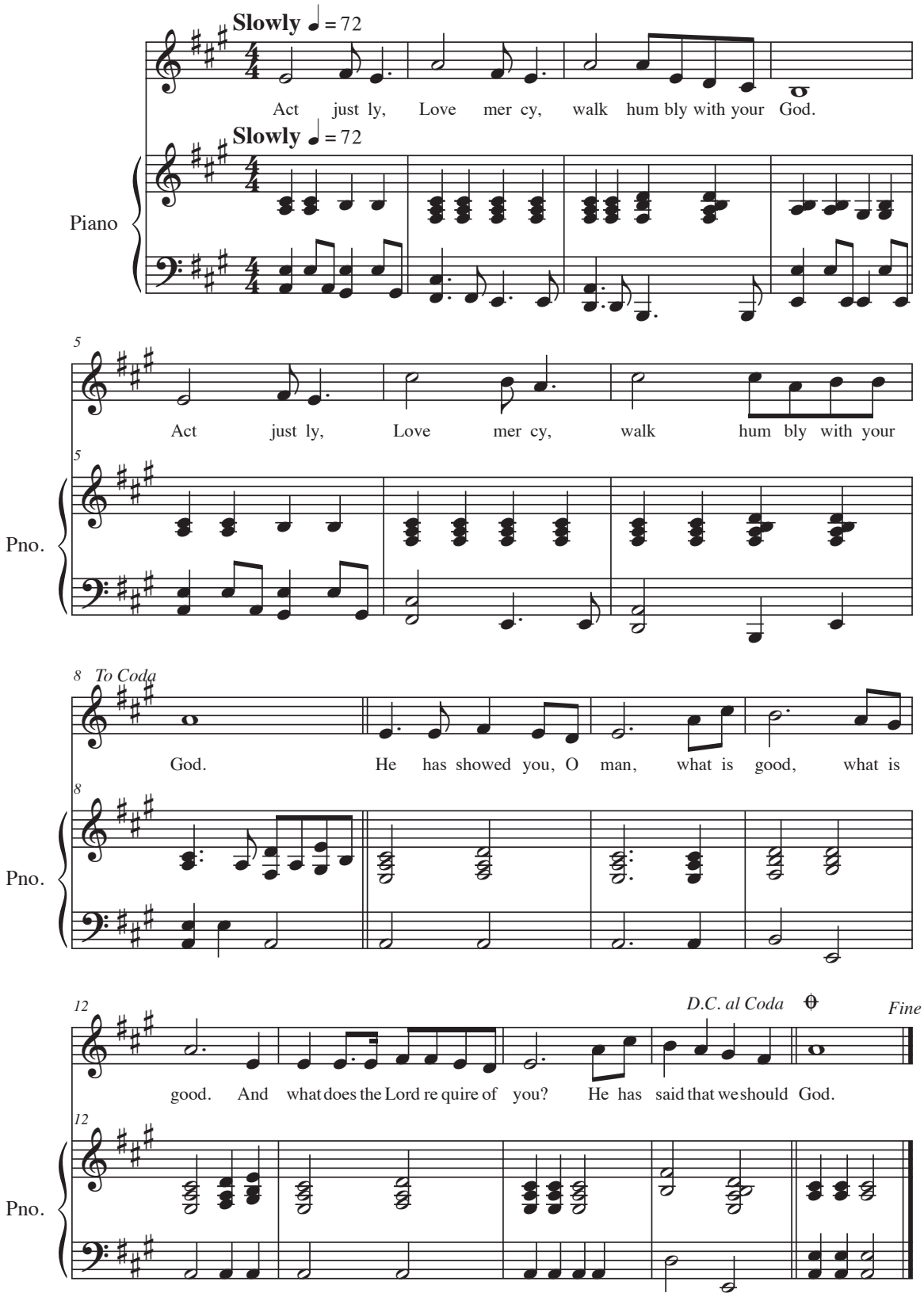

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Fight Song

Blue & Gold

Falcon Fight Song

Edward D. Simpson

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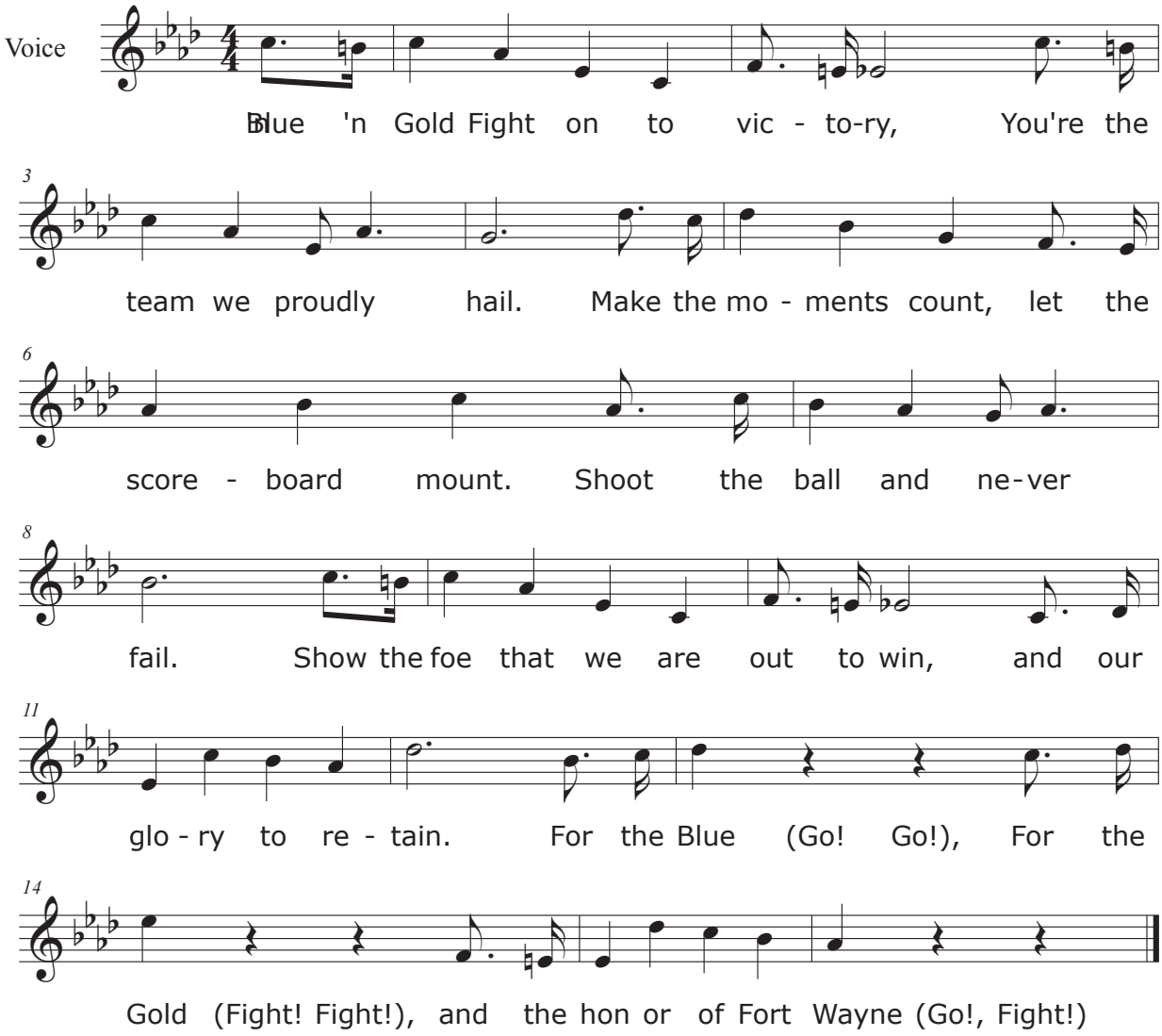

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Early Radio Songs

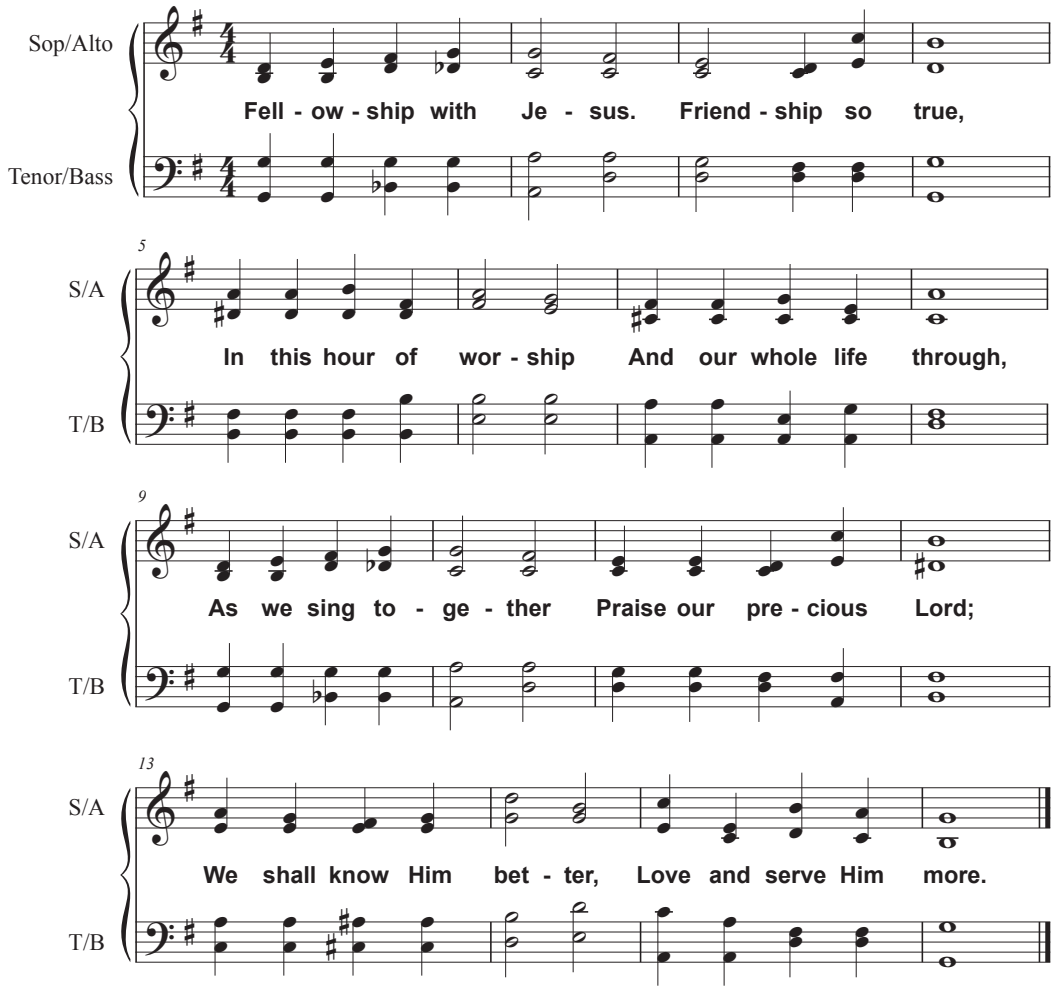
Fellowship With Jesus

Theme chorus of Fort Wayne Bible Institute Fwllowship Hour (4/23/1943

Rachel Kemmerer

Marion Anderson

SATB



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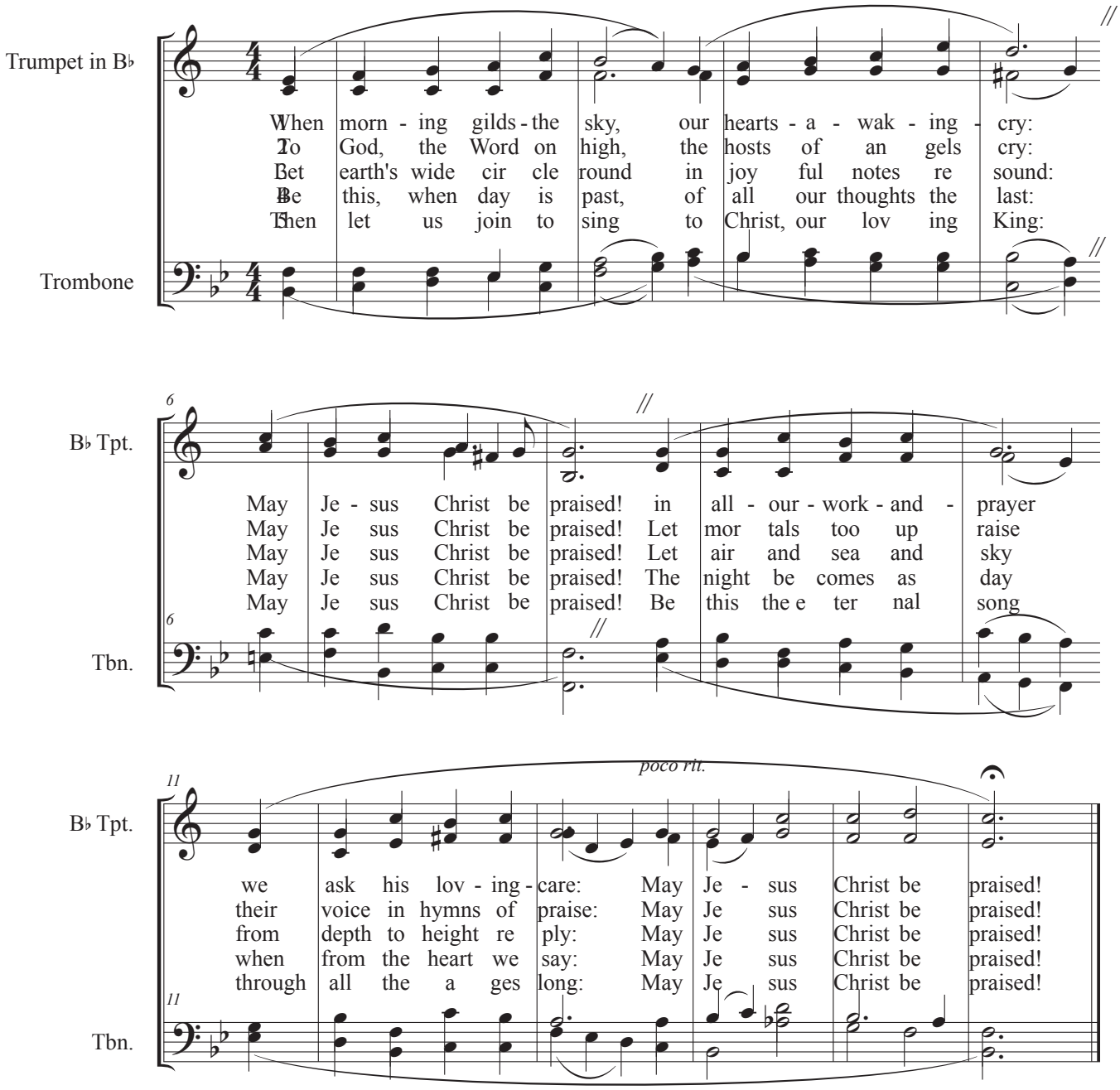
When Morning Gilds the Sky

Katholiches Gesangbuch

Joseph Barnby



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